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PRIZES * * * * * PRIZES * * * * * PRIZES * * * * * PRIZES * * * * * PRIZES

Promptness Price -- 1943 Walking Liberty Half
Grand Prize -- 1997 1/10 02 Gold Eagle

1879-0 Morgan Silver Dollar
1995 N.U.T.S. Saltaire Resort Silver Metal

Mountain Club
Utah State Prison
G. R. Huntsman
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Eugene Theatre
Midvale Pool Hale
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G/F 10 cents
G/F 5 cents
G/F 1 drink or cigar
G/F 10 cents
G/F \$1.00
G/F 1 Exploder
G/F 10 cents
G/F 5 cents
G/F 5 cents
G/F 5 cents
G/F 5 cents
G/F cup of coffee

Bingham, UT
Draper, UT
Fillmore City, UT
Heber, UT
Helper, UT
Hiawatha, UT
Hurricane, UT
Midvale, UT
Salt Lake City, UT
Salt Lake City, UT
Pendleton, OR
Anywhere

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

SHOW ME YOUR'S AND I'LL SHOW YOU MINE. Yep, it is that time of the year again. This is display month, I hope everyone who has done any detecting this past year will take the time to together some kind of display of the items they have found during 1997. I do not know about you, but that was one of the main reasons I joined N.U.T.S. was to see what kind of things everyone else was finding.

The Christmas party was a great success. I believe a good time was had by all, as well as most people taking home some great items from the drawing. If you missed it, you also lost out on some great food, too.

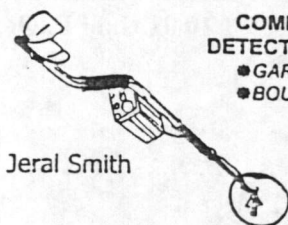
I have seen and heard some really nice finds from club members in the past month. February promises to have some good competition. Do not forget some of the changes in rules to Find of the Month competition mentioned in the last newsletter. Speaking of which, I hope everyone enjoys the new mailing system and this stops the damage that has been occurring.

Just a quick reminder that this year's dues need to be paid so you will continue to get your newsletter. They are still the same as last year, \$10.00 per individual and \$15.00 per family.

Hope to See Everyone Thursday Night!!!

Eric

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WAGON MASTER'S REPORT

By Dave Kyte

Congratulations to the Treasure Hunter of the Year Winners for 1997! Jeral Smith gets bragging rights for first place. Cliff Faucett took second and Eric Hubbard landed third.

We have discussed putting together at least six outings for the next year, with three or four of these being close enough for one day trips. More details will follow later as we are able to schedule.

We would like to invite you not so active members to come on out to the meetings and outings.

Don't forget to bring your displays for the January meeting! Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place!

DAVE

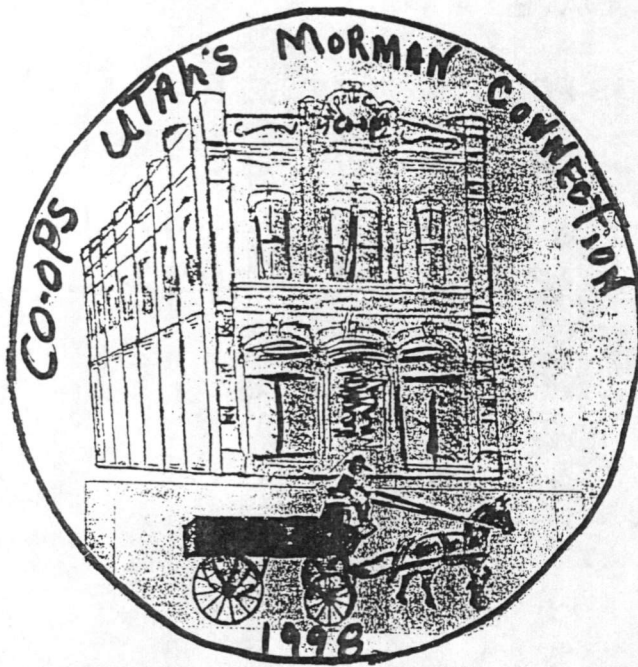
WINNERS and POINT STANDINGS FOR THE F.O.T.M. 1997

FIRST PLACE	Jeral Smith.....	219
SECOND PLACE	Cliff Fausett.....	190
THIRD PLACE	Eric Hubbard.....	169

Chris Benson.....	162
Dave Kyte.....	145
Bruce Dugger.....	144
Bob Parker.....	141
Jeff Cornelison.....	103
Don Bake.....	101
Jerry Couch.....	23
Jim Liddiard.....	14
Mike Russell.....	11
Bill Brown.....	9
Karen Secor.....	7
Reed Stohel.....	7
Jolene Henderson.....	6
Frank Clements.....	4
Doyle McClain.....	3
Ralph Gold.....	3
Robert Winkle.....	2
Jason Connelly.....	1

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MONTHLY TIPS

SEARCH COIL COVERS

Search coil covers protect a valuable part of your detector; however, they can also create their own set of problems. Water and dirt can work their way between the cover and coil that ultimately will diminish the effectiveness of your detector. What to do? Either remove and clean the cover on a regular basis or seal the seam between the cover and the coil with clear silicone caulking. If you ever decide to change the coil cover, just cut the seal with a knife. In addition, the coil cover is a great place to write your name, address, and social security number with a permanent marker. If your detector is ever stolen, this provides a means of identification.

TEMPERATURE ACCLIMATION

With winter on the way, it is important to remember that your detector's electronics need to be thermically stabilized before they can work most accurately. Changes in temperature affect the operating parameters of electronic components. Taking a detector from an 80-degree car into 30-degree weather causes the electronics to change as they become acclimated to the air temperature. For example, your detector will read ground balance differently when it is hot than when it is cold. In such circumstances, be sure to readjust your detector often until the electronics reach air temperature. Batteries are also affected by temperature -- the colder it is, the less power they can deliver. Indeed, batteries that fail at 30 degrees, may go for many hours at 70 degrees. When the temperature is really cold, keep a spare set of batteries warm in your jacket pocket so they can be changed if the batteries in the detector suffer from frost bite.

RING PROGRAMS

I have sometimes seen recommended settings designed to find rings, and specifically gold rings. Do these programs work? People in the know realize that size, metal content, design, condition, halo, and ground conditions can cause rings to read almost anywhere on your meter. Therefore, the only way to maximize ring recoveries is to dig all signals. Unfortunately, this is not always possible or practical, which is probably why most rings are found along beaches where target recovery takes only a few seconds and the next wave usually eliminates any dig holes.

Ghost Town Rouses A Protective Spirit

BY CHRISTOPHER SMITH

THE SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

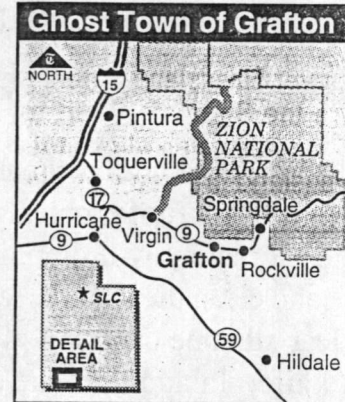
GRAFTON — On the graffiti-covered, cracked plaster wall inside the old church meetinghouse of this long-abandoned village, a visitor has written, "Keep this place a secret." Another has chimed in with a black marker, "Or it will be spoiled!"

But to save what's left of one of the most picturesque ghost towns in the West, fans

of Grafton have been forced to break any self-imposed vows of secrecy.

"It's been sort of a hidden place that we didn't want to attract a lot of attention to because it's vulnerable," says Jack Burns of Rockville, one of a number of Washington County residents who have formed a nonprofit partnership seeking to preserve Grafton.

"Unfortunately, Grafton is deteriorating quickly, and un-



The Salt Lake Tribune.

less we do something soon, it's just going to crumble away," says Burns. "Right now, it's not too late to save it."

NATIONAL UTAH TOKEN SOCIETY

Meeting Held At:
Redwood Multipurpose Center
3100 South Redwood Road
Salt Lake City, UT

Unless otherwise specified, meeting are held on the fourth Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

